

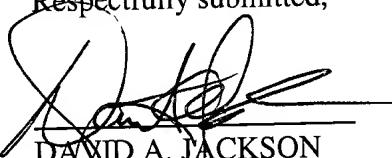
REMARKS

The Examiner has indicated that Applicants have not properly elected the species of amino acids for the first binding site or the species of amino acids for the second binding site of Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:4).

Applicants thank the Examiner for the opportunity to clarify this issue. The specific amino acid residues at positions I-IV of the first binding site and the specific amino acid residues at positions I-IV of the second binding site of SEQ ID NO:4 are presented in Figure 4 which shows the sequence of SEQ ID NO:4. Accordingly, Applicants elect the species of isoleucine at position I, tryptophan at position II, aspartate at position III, and glutamate at position IV with regard to the first binding site; and the species of isoleucine at residue I, tryptophan at residue II, glycine at residue III, and aspartate at residue IV with regard to the second binding site.

No fees are believed to be necessitated by the foregoing Response. However, should this be erroneous, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or credit any overages.

In view of the above, Applicants believe that they have now addressed all of the issues pertaining to the Requirement for the Restriction and an early action on the merits of the Claims is courteously solicited.

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